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Attorney General John Ashcroft U.S. Dept. of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to you today to express my support of the settlement reached with Microsoft. The November settlement represents three years of mediation, and given the current state of the economy, I believe enacting it is in the best interests of the country. I urge you to do so.

The settlement contains many concessions on the part of Microsoft. Microsoft has agreed to disclose the internal interface of the Windows system. This information sharing will allow developers to create software that is more compatible with the Windows system. In addition to this, Microsoft users will also have the ability to reconfigure their desktops at their discretion with the new design of Windows XP.

Obviously, Microsoft has done its share to end this litigation process; I trust that the Justice Department has the sense to enact the settlement. Thank you for your concern regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

J. W. Frack